

MANY HURT IN MICHIGAN CENTRAL WRECK

THE WEATHER.
Increasing cloudiness tonight and Wednesday with probably showers in south and west portions, not much change in temperature.

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HAMMOND, INDIANA

LOCAL TRAIN LEAVES RAILS STATE LINE

Defective Frog and Spreading Rail Cause Grand Rapids Express To Be Ditched.

A defective frog was the cause of a lucky wreck on the Michigan Central at Calumet Park about two hundred feet from the interlocking tower at the foot of State street, Hammond, late yesterday afternoon. The train, a Grand Rapids Flyer, was traveling west towards Chicago and was making fairly good speed. The three coaches and the tender were derailed, the two center cars sliding down the bank and tilting in the ditch. Had the train been going faster the loss of life would probably have been great.

Four people were seriously injured and about eighty passengers were bruised and shaken by the crash. Several minor injuries were dressed on the scene and the passengers were able to proceed to Chicago on the special relief train sent from Kensington. Traffic was not interrupted.

The injured:

Mrs. Mary Barker, Decatur, Mich., injured internally. Taken to St. Margaret's hospital; will recover.

O. K. Herman, Chicago; both knees smashed. Hammond hospital.

W. C. Lee, Chicago; crushed leg; Chicago hospital.

Mrs. Florence Bush, Michigan City; both hips broken; Chicago hospital.

Several passengers were cut and bruised who refused to go to hospitals.

The G. R. and I. train number 8213 left Hammond at 5:14 after taking on several passengers. About five minutes later the engine struck the frog at the tower at Calumet crossing. Instantly the coaches left the rails and after bumping along the ties for a short distance slipped into the ditch. The engine did not leave the rails. The forward coach and the parlor car in the rear were also derailed, and they remained in the right of way just off the tracks. All of the injured were in the two center cars. Miss Agnes Harper of The Times advertising department was a passenger in the third coach but escaped injury.

A special train from Kensington was made up and arrived on the scene about seven o'clock. The injured were rushed to Chicago. All of the passengers were able to complete the journey an hour after the wreck.

Wrecking trains from Kensington and Gibson arrived before dark, and the track was cleared this morning. The accident occurred on the extreme north track and did not block traffic for any length of time.

It was reported today that the rails at the scene of the wreck were about to be replaced when the crash came. The north rail was twisted from the ties in such a way as to throw the cars in the direction of the ditch, rather than on the south tracks.

Thousands of people soon gathered from Hammond and West Hammond shortly after the wreck occurred. Chief Nitz of the West Hammond police was in personal charge at the scene and many Hammond and West Hammond doctors were rushed to the scene by the Hammond police department.

Epidemic And Disease Are Pueblo's Imminent Dangers

ESTIMATES OF PUEBLO DEAD VARY City Leaders Believe However It Will Range From Three Hundred To Five Hundred

BY JOSEPH C. COYLE
SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
PUEBLO, Colo., June 7.—After four days of terror and suffering, Pueblo was still today in an optimistic mood.

The city and its citizens' nerves have been restored, as all fear of further floods has been allayed.

As the raging angry waters of the Arkansas and Mountain rivers subside, buoyant courage prevails.

For the first time since Thursday night, citizens' slumber was not disturbed by alarms of floods. The drowning, rushing waters of the eddying currents was replaced by the hum of motor cars and the buzz of attempted business resumption.

The total number of dead bodies recovered and identified early today is thirty-one but estimates of the death toll range from 250 to 300.

The day broke fair and warmer and despite the favorable weather, the weather conditions had upon the people, it opens up another menace that may prove disastrous than the floods themselves.

DEAD UNDER DEBRIS.
Disease, contagion and epidemic are the dangers.

An anti-fly campaign has been started but it is almost a hopeless battle. Dead animals are buried under wreckage in many parts of the city and stench from these carcasses is already pervading the community, severely handicapping the cleanup work.

The water supply is still inadequate and water must be used only for cooking and drinking, it being necessary to boil the latter.

Sanitation experts of the United States Public Health Service are putting forth every effort to prevent the outbreak of epidemic. Smallpox, diphtheria and typhoid fever are reported from several of the stations.

John P. Cornell, in charge of sanitary work expressed the hope early today that the threatened epidemic could be avoided but he said that the debris, decaying eggs and massed wreckage under which were hundreds of dead animals may be too much for his men to cope with.

Willis Parker, city commissioner, stated today that the property loss in the flood will reach in the neighborhood of \$200,000 and that the loss of life is impossible of accurate estimate. He believed, however, that at least three hundred perished. Hundreds of persons are trapped in the rush of water.

CITY'S URGENT NEEDS.
Parker stated that the present urgent needs of the city are gas, water, light and communication service, through the latter was rapidly being restored today.

"There is no difficulty at present in obtaining food, but keeping it in condition without ice and the fact that we are virtually without any food, drink makes a serious epidemic possible."

Parker also urged that money be sent Pueblo at once. "Food can be gotten in all right," he said, "but the lack of financial assistance will hamper the work of relief."

Parker declared that stories of looting were exaggerated, saying the military had had little trouble in that respect.

Pueblo is rising from the death and destruction, despair and devastation of the worst flood. It is slowly but surely being lifted off its bed of mud and slime. It is no longer to be a victim again. It has no time to mourn of its misfortunes. Looking for a needle in the proverbial haystack would be child's play compared with the task forced upon the second largest city in Colorado.

Only those who have seen with their own eyes the appalling destruction can even have a slight conception of what has to be done immediately if the survivors of water and fire are to escape death of pestilence.

ALL WEST WORK.
The city is nearly one hundred percent busy in reconstruction work.

Lieutenant-Colonel Paul Newell, military commander in the city, has issued a proclamation requiring all able-bodied men to go to work. "Visiting sightseers must shoulder a bow and shoot or leave the city," Newell announced and orders were issued to the military forces to keep a vigilant watch for slackers.

Forty-three cents an hour has been fixed by the city government as the wage for laborers cleaning up the mass of wreckage.

GRANT INCREASES

(SPECIAL TO THE TIMES)
CROWN POINT, Ind., June 7.—Lake county's share of the increase in pay to the five superior, circuit and criminal court judges will be only \$2,300, it was shown at a meeting of the county commissioners yesterday. The remainder of the increase will be borne by the state.

The county commissioners said they would issue the order today granting the raise in pay from \$5,000 to \$7,000 a year to the judges as provided by an enactment of the recent legislature.

Did You Hear That

NEXT week is the last of the school year and guess how the children do dread it.

FRANK GREENWALD of Whiting, state factory inspector, inspected Michigan City plants yesterday.

ARTHUR SCHMITZ of Rensselaer, has accepted a position in Hammond. Yep, there are still jobs here.

ORAK TEMPLE will send a whale trainload of Shrimers to the big conclave at Des Moines next week.

FRED BECKMAN is driving a brand new Ford roadster with the Moonhead Oil Co. trade mark on the side.

DR. FRED BOCK, the osteopath, is back at his office in the First National Bank building after spending some time at Battle Creek, Mich.

WEST HAMMOND voted fifty-fifty in the Cook county judgeship election. However, Thornton township went 2 to 2 in favor of Bill Thompson's ticket.

THE fame of the Calumet region's Oldest Liquor has reached Chicago. "Sand Dune Moonshine" is what they call it there.

ALTHOUGH H. L. Siddle has all the earmarks of an open golf champion, the ghost of Bert Shekerson still rises to haunt him.

JIM WANG MICHELSTETTER left Sunday night for French Lick, Webster, the mind reader, told Jim how to beat the wheel.

A SENSATION was created in local golf circles when Bill McVey teased out the disengaged saw dinosaur he has been putting with.

ADD sights of the town—Young man buttoning of young woman's dress on Hohman st., while she gazes in department store window.

THE high school is considering the establishment of a class in Greek for those business men who are forced to deal down town at noon.

GEORGE HULST is leaving for Virginia City, Montana, where he goes on a gold prospecting tour and will probably be away all summer.

THE dentists extracted all the contents of the lawyers on Sunday and claim to have the only A-1 golf team in any of the professions.

THERE will be a council meeting tonight. If the school board or water works mean anything in your young life, come up to the meeting.

HARRY MATS, the "Miracle Man," is going to settle in LaPorte, near where he started to drift from when he first started to acquire notoriety.

THAT restaurant on Hohman st., a few doors south of the city hall, is the latest to reduce prices. The lunch room has reduced from ten to fifteen cents or an order.

THERE'S a Methodist camp meeting down near Williams, Ind., and it must be that they've converted Doc Clark. None of his playmates have heard from him for a month.

It became known Sunday that the Rev. J. Barrett, pastor of the First Presbyterian church in Hammond for the past four years, has accepted a call in another city.

WHY is it that the waitresses at the Sheffield avenue road houses say "There!" with that triumphant air when they place a mean of green and odorous onions before you?

J. A. ALBERT, the north side druggist, who has been working faithfully to establish University Extension classes in Hammond, reports scores of applications as a result of the campaign.

MISS FLORA MAE HACKETT, the Menon typewriter, who won the Chicago Tribune \$10,000 literary prize, has shown her good humor since by declining all offers of movie picture contracts.

SOMEBODY was kidding Pete Davis about the Davis in Jasper county who was accused of murder. "Yes, they accused him," said Pete, "and they tried him and the jury found of three minutes found him 'not guilty.'"

GENE SHAWER of the South Shore Auto Co. has turned detective. He gave bond for an Indiana Harbor customer who speeded not wisely but too well, and now he is looking for the \$11 fine which was paid, but not recorded.

CLEM GUYER has left the Delux to play the organ in the Parthenon and his place at the Delux has been taken by his brother, Paul, who was leader of the orchestra at the Orpheum theater before that house closed. Clem and Paul are very popular.

H. E. GRANGER and a number of other Spanish war vets are going to Legansport to the state convention with a plan to build a half million dollar home for ex-soldiers in Lake county. The vote of the state has \$100,000 in the building fund.

FRANK MARTIN was pretty busy today. He had to prepare for the expected clash with his fellow councilmen at the meeting tonight on the water question and also round up some more democrats to help fill out the tables at the banquet Thursday evening.

C. C. BONHAM's activities in the life insurance and palm beach side have been greatly hampered these days by a bad case of bullia. He has already put up with eight of them and more are coming. He has sent a spirit message to Job for a little sympathy.

EXTRA

There was much speculation in the Calumet Region yesterday over the visit of Charles M. Schwab, the steel magnate, to Indiana Harbor. Mr. Schwab slipped into town and out again very quietly. He visited the Inland Steel plant with the Block brothers on an inspection trip and local magnates do not know what significance to put on Mr. Schwab's visit. He was the guest of A. R. Erskine, president of the Studebaker Corporation in South Bend, last night.

SCHWAB IS OPTIMISTIC

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)
SOUTH BEND, IND., June 7.—After stating that the steel industry was in the worst slump it had been in for forty years, Charles M. Schwab, president of the Bethlehem Steel Co., voiced an optimistic prediction for the future at a dinner given in honor of A. R. Erskine, president of the Studebaker corporation here last night.

"The present industrial depression," Mr. Schwab said, "is the best thing that has ever happened to the United States. It has ended a long period of manufacturing without considering costs."

"We must build a new industrial fabric and that fabric must be built upon a basis of economy. Germany is organized industrially and never before have German workmen been so willing as they are now to give a full day's work for a full day's pay."

"Capital and labor must work in hand as it has never done before and this will result in a greater prosperity than we have ever had before," said Mr. Schwab.

When the recent flood swept over the Colorado city of Pueblo it rose to a depth of eight feet in the business section, sweeping before it smaller wooden buildings and leaving the others coated with mud and slime to a depth of a foot or more. The streets were veritable seas of mud. Property damage in Pueblo alone is estimated at \$10,000,000. A third of the city was left homeless by the flood, which came when the Arkansas and Mountain rivers overflowed their banks and when the high water broke dams and reservoirs in the district.

View of Main street, Pueblo, and the Mineral Palace which is said to house the largest mineral collection in the world.

RAILROAD POLICE ARE NOT SORRY

Calumet Region Officers See Breakup of Bad Railroad Gang

Railroad police of the Calumet region were elated yesterday when they learned that the three East Chicago men indicted by the federal grand jury for robbing box cars had been sentenced to prison by Judge Geiger at Indianapolis. They believe the convictions have broken the back of Indiana Harbor's organized gang of cut-throats.

The three men sentenced were George Mihalik, Stanley Dombrowski and Walter Malda. Malda, a mere boy, was shown to be the leader of the gang. He is a parolee reformatory inmate and preferred the prison sentence to returning to the reform school. Mihalik was found to be the fence of the gang. He operated a store and is worth close to \$10,000.

Dombrowski is a widower with three children and his friends sought to obtain leniency because of his dependents. They told how they would place the children in the hands of the county to be cared for while he was in prison. Yesterday Dombrowski appeared at the federal building in Hammond with his offerings in tow. He announced his decision to take them along to Indianapolis and let the judge decide what to do with them. Commissioner Charles Surprenant informed him that the court would probably refer the matter to the State Board of Charities who would undoubtedly decide that Dombrowski was unfit to have them and would take them away from him permanently.

Dombrowski had not counted on such a turn and decided to take his medicine as it had been handed to him. He took the youngsters back to Indiana Harbor before starting for Indianapolis.

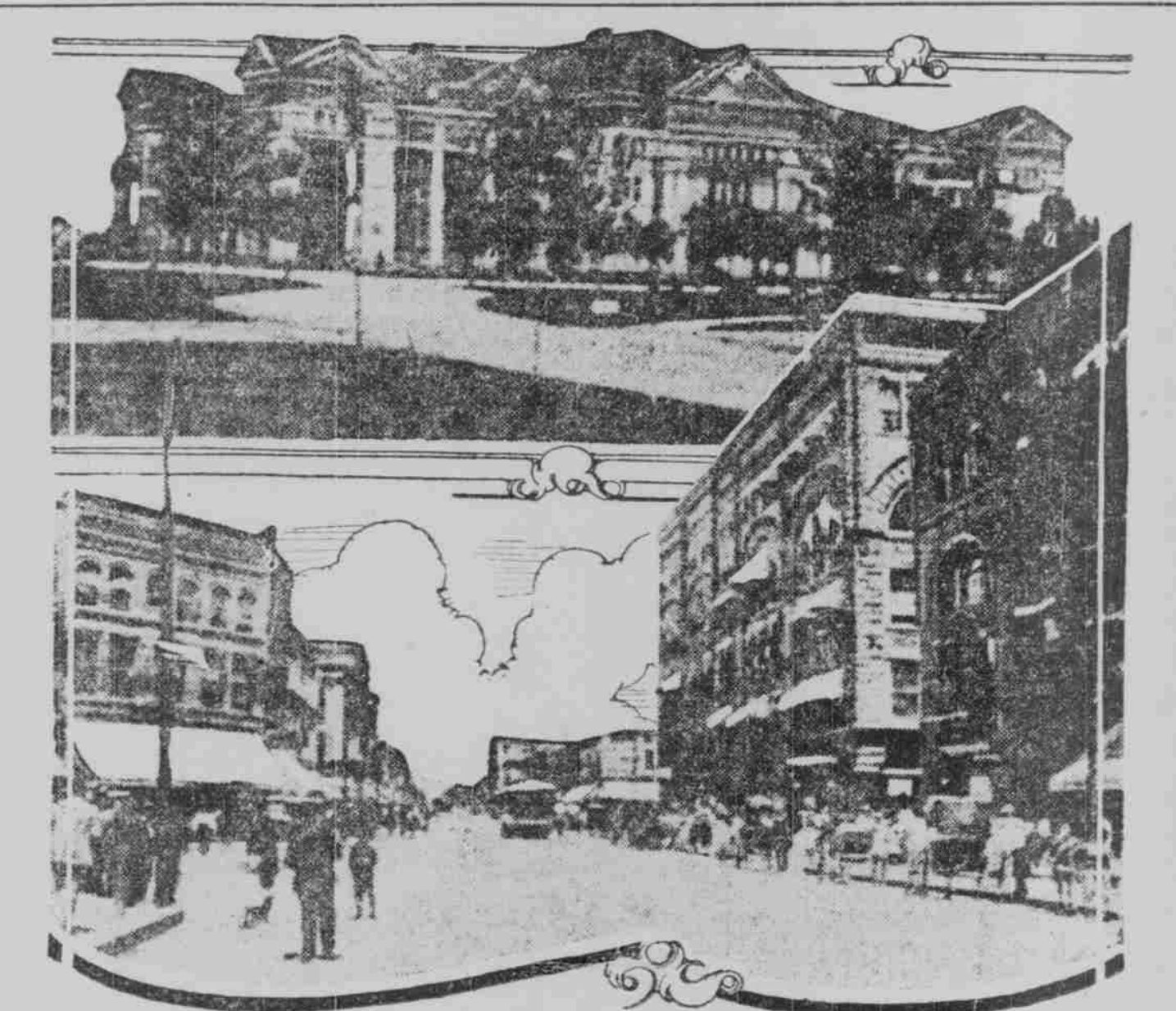
TO REDECORATE COURT HOUSE
(SPECIAL TO THE TIMES)
CROWN POINT, Ind., June 7.—The marriage hall is to be redecorated. The county commissioners at their meeting yesterday announced that bids would be asked for the remodeling of a portion of the interior of the courthouse as well as for redecoration.

Judge Miles E. Norton's court room is to be rearranged. There are seats for several hundred people in the court room and a portion of this space will be turned into office rooms.

The entire building is sadly in need of redecoration, especially the clerk's office where the plaster has fallen off the walls in spots.

BOUND OVER TO CRIMINAL COURT
The expose of "shocking" conditions on Plummer avenue, Hammond's black belt, did not materialize this morning when Ed Winborn and Ed Marx, arrested several days ago for engaging in a shooting affray, were arraigned in the Hammond city court, charged with shooting with intent to kill. The men waived examination and were bound over to the criminal court. Both have furnished bond of \$1,000 each.

Flood Leaves Pueblo Main-Street Sea of Mud; Thousands Homeless



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KIWANIS ENTERTAINS ROTARIANS

At the Chamber of Commerce room this noon, the Hammond Kiwanis club entertained the Rotary club at a dinner which included a spirit of cooperation, good fellowship and fraternity.

Rotarians and Kiwanians, seated side by side, showed in their attitude and the things they said that the two organizations, rather than being two groups of men in active competition with each other are two clubs whose sole purpose is to work together for the betterment of the community, and to know and understand each other.

The dinner was a real love feast. The Kiwanis motto, "We profits most who serve best," and the slogan of the Kiwanis club, "We build," show the similarity of the two groups, and show that they are working for the same ends.

The speakers were Judge V. S. Reiter, president of the Kiwanis club, and Fred Crumpler, president of the Rotary club. Each expressed the feeling of brotherhood and the desire to work together which permeated each club. Judge Reiter said:

"It is unusual to see two such organizations as the Kiwanis and Rotary clubs, breaking bread together, and exchanging ideas. It is unusual to find two groups, clubbed with the same thought and ideal for the betterment of the community."

"It is a different thing to build an ideal community life. Such a result takes years of toil and experiment and depends on the character of people which make up the community. These two clubs grow from the idea of gathering together groups with the community at heart."

Judge Reiter closed with expressions of the kindest feelings for the Rotary, and expressed in behalf of the Kiwanis club the hope that the two would go hand in hand for the advancement and development of the city.

Mr. Crumpler then spoke in behalf of the Rotary club. He endorsed all the sentiments expressed by Judge Reiter.

"I am unable to express adequately the feeling of appreciation that Rotary feels for the splendid greeting extended to our members. We live in a city of 25,000, and we are working for a community of 100,000. Hammond has great prospects. We have the question of amusements and the absorption of Hessville at hand. We have some problems such as the water works and school system to work out. I believe that the spirit of these two clubs will do more to solve these problems than anything else. We have a common purpose. Our clubs stand for the same things—good fellowship and service."

Mr. Crumpler closed with extending the thanks of the Rotary club to their hosts for the splendid reception tendered them.

The silent boost was given by George Guyer, and was won by Albert Langley, William Miller and John A. Board, a cheer for each one present.

The welcome to the Rotarians was given by Willis Ford, chairman of the entertainment committee of the Kiwanis club. The two clubs were entertained during the meal by several solos from Miss Cecil Abbott.

Baby Bandits Rob Peddler Near Shelby

Ind. Harbor Man Loses \$400 at Point of Gun to Lads He Befriends

CROWN POINT, Ind., June 7.—The sheriff's office force was called to Shelby on Monday afternoon and came back with three baby bandits who had pulled off a stick up at Shelby about 12 o'clock on Monday.

The lads ranging in age from 16 to 18 had held up Carl Vellam of Indiana Harbor and after taking between three and four hundred dollars from him, tied him to a tree and asked for Shelby where they attempted to buy a ticket for Montana. The boys are Frank Hladik of White Oak, Mich., the brains of the gang; Ignace Straszewicz and Tanne Svapik of Indiana Harbor. Hladik was in the employ of Vellam who drove a truck through the county gathering produce. They had hatched up the hold-up on Sunday and Hladik had asked Vellam if Straszewicz and Svapik could accompany him on the trip. When they reached Shelby the boys told Vellam they were going into the woods to hunt game.

Instead they went ahead of him and as he drove by ran out and made him hand over his money at the point of a revolver. When they attempted to buy a ticket at Shelby the agent became suspicious and telephoned Sheriff Olds. They were held here pending the arrival of the authorities from Newton county where the hold-up was staged.

NEW AUTO SALES COMPANY
The Saba Auto Sales is a newcomer to Hammond. The location is in the Paxton block, 629 Hohman street. Mr. Saba is a familiar figure in business activities in the Calumet region and is proprietor of the East Chicago Auto Sales, which has under his direction grown to be one of the city's most prosperous businesses.

His Marmon, Hup and Chevrolet clientele has grown to such an extent it was found necessary to establish a Hammond branch. It is not a speculative venture of Mr. Saba's, but an answer to a distinct need and his business in Hammond bids fair to grow to even greater proportions than his East Chicago business. The new display room and service station opens today for business and the management invites the inspection of every Hammond and Lake county citizen.

Express Appreciation
The Lake County Times:
We, the members of the United Spanish American War Veterans of America, Ernest R. Pahlman camp No. 18, wish to express our thanks for your co-operation and valuable assistance in making the memorial day services a success to which your individual efforts contributed to so greatly.

Our thanks and appreciation for your personal efforts in making the memorial services so satisfactorily observed.

H. E. GRANGER, Chaplain.

INSURANCE MEN ENJOY LUNCHEON

Members of the Lake County Branch of the National Association of Life Underwriters held their last meeting for this season Monday afternoon at the Hammond Chamber of Commerce rooms.

About thirty insurance men from Hammond, Gary, East Chicago and the south part of the county were present.

C. C. Bonham of Hammond, superintendent of agents of the Northern State Life Co., was selected to represent the Lake county branch at the association's state convention which will be held in September at West Baden, Ind.

Following the luncheon and business session, Dr. Campbell, instructor in mathematics at the Armour Institute and an insurance expert of national reputation, took charge of the question box which was inaugurated at one of the recent meetings. Slips had been passed around the tables and all having questions which they wished answered, handed them in.

After Dr. Campbell had answered the written questions and the one which naturally arose during discussion, the boys began shooting them in rapidity. They covered all phases of the insurance game. Sometimes the speaker answered them and again the salesman spoke up and gave their views on them. Altogether it was an unusually interesting and instructive session.

The membership of the association is increasing steadily and it is hoped soon to embrace every life insurance worker in the county.

No more meetings will be held until after the summer months.

FORD PRICE REDUCTION
(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)
DETROIT, MICH., June 7.—The Ford Motor Company today announced another reduction in the list price of all types of Ford cars and the Ford truck to take effect immediately. The list prices P. O. B. Detroit now are as follows:

Touring car, \$115; Runabout, \$50; Coupe, \$92; Sedan, \$70; Chassis, \$545 and Truck, \$345.

A statement accompanying the reductions says:

"The big reductions last fall were made in anticipation of low material costs which we are not getting the benefit of, and this fact, together with increased manufacturing efficiency and the unprecedented demand for Ford cars, particularly during the past 3 months permitting maximum production, have made possible another price reduction immediately."

Wages of Ford workmen will not be reduced, the statement says.

MALLOY NOW WET OFFICER THEY SAY

Is Dan Malloy, alleged Gary ex-house runner now in the employment of the prohibition enforcement office at Hammond.

That is the question that has been on the mind of Gary police officials and others for some time and they would appreciate some official information from that department.

Before wearing the official star of a national prohibition enforcement officer, Dan is reported to have been mixed up in several shady liquor deals and at one time subpoenaed to appear before Judge Anderson in the federal court to explain certain things.

Last night Dan again came into the limelight of the Gary police department.

According to a police report made by Officer Martin, Malloy arrested a "house runner" on West Fifth avenue near Clark road. The house runner's machine carried a Michigan license, but with Malloy arguing with the officer and getting away in such a hurry with his prisoner the officer failed to get the number.

Upon questioning Malloy as to what authority he had in arresting the house runner, he stated that he was working out of the federal office at Hammond, opened his coat, dashed a star, jumped into the machine and walked his prisoner away.

SIMONS SAYS NO
G. J. Simons, group chief of prohibition agents in northern Indiana, made emphatic denial of Malloy's connection with the prohibition forces which operate out of Hammond, when informed of the Gary man's statement today.

"Malloy worked as an agent for a time under Captain Van Horn," explained Chief Simons. "When I took over the Hammond office I took away his badge and credentials. He is not connected with the prohibition forces of northern Indiana."

ROAD BONDS SOLD
(SPECIAL TO THE TIMES)
CROWN POINT, Ind., June 7.—County Treasurer Bradford today sold the \$25,000 Henderson road (Eagle Creek) bonds on the People's State bank of Crown Point and the \$10,000 John B. Kimmel (Lakes Creek) bonds to the First National Bank of Lowell.